RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) Two Inter-State River Water disputes *viz.* Ravi-Beas Water Dispute and Cauvery Water Disputes were referred to the Tribunals under the provisions of Inter-State Water Disputes Act, 1956 (ISWD Act, 1956) for adjudication in April, 1986 and June 1990 respectively. Ravi & Beas Waters Tribunal has submitted its fact finding report on 30.1.1987. Party States and Central Government have sought explanation/guidance under Section 5(3) of ISWD Act, 1956. The Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal has passed an interim order on June 25, 1991.

Projects under Brahmaputra Board

591. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state;

(a) the details of ongoing projects of the Brahmaputra Board alongwith their total outlay, commissioning schedule and execution status; and

(b) the particulars of action plan finalised by the Brahmaputra Board to protect Majuli Island in accordance with the Master Plan prepared by the Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) Brahmaputra Board is executing one drainage scheme namely Harang Drainage Development Scheme costing Rs. 10.81 crore in the Barak Valley of Assam. The Harang Drainage scheme is scheduled to be completed in March 2002. Land acquisition for sluices and embankment has been completed. The construction work of sluices and embankment has also commenced. In addition, the Board has taken up preparation of Master Plan Part-III for tributaries of Brahmaputra and Detailed Project Reports for thirteen multipurpose projects and thirty three Drainage schemes.

(b) The Board has taken up recently the survey and

investigation works to prepare a Detailed Project Report for protection of Majuli Island from flood and erosion by rivers Brahmaputra and Subansiri.

Diversion of Funds allocated for Dams

592. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the funds allocated for dams by Government to various States have not been utilized for the said purposes and have been diverted to other works; and

(b) if so, the diversion of such funds State-wise, alongwith the reasons for diversion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) No such matter has been reported by the State Governments to the Ministry of Water Resources.

Upper Tunga Project

593. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal relating to Upper Tunga Project from Government of Karnataka for irrigating 2,34,000 acres of land in Shimoga, Davangere and Haveri Districts of the States is under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain aspects relating to irrigation and construction materials in respect of the Project still remain to be cleared by the Central Water Commission; and

(d) if so, the time by which necessary clearance is likely to be accorded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and